HON'BLE SHRI G.S.SINGHVI, THE CHIEF JUSTICE

WRIT PETITION No.15619 OF 2001

Between:

P. Satya Srinivas and another

… Petitioners

AND

The District Forest Officer, West Godavari District, Eluru and four others

… Respondents

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Counsel for the petitioners : Shri K. Vasantha Rao for Shri Y.V. Ravi Prasad

July 25, 2007

In this petition, the petitioners have made the following substantive prayer:

> "it is prayed that the Hon'ble court may be pleased to issue an appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of Mandamus declaring the proceedings vide CIR Memo No. 5370/C1/95 dt. 31.5.1999 of the 3rd respondent and the letter dated 9.12.1997 addressed by 4th respondent imposing ban on import of Clarias Species of cat Fish and issuing direction to the officials to destroy the clarias species of cat fish with an apprehension that it is highly carnivores is absolutely illegal, arbitrary, highhanded discriminatory and violation of Article 21 of Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondent not to interfere with import and export operations of clarias species of cat fish and not to impose any ban on culturing of the same alleging that it is carnivores and pass such other order or orders as this Hon'ble court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.
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> It is therefore prayed that this Hon'ble court may be pleased to suspend the proceedings vide CIR Memo No. 53700/C1/95 dt. 31.5.99 of the

2nd respondent imposing ban on marketing and culturing of calrias species of cat fish pending disposal of the W.P. and pass such other order or others as this Hon'ble court may deem fit proper in the interests of justices."

Shri K. Vasantha Rao appearing for the petitioners says that the writ petition has become infructuous and the same may be disposed of as such. Ordered accordingly.

As a sequel to disposal of the writ petition as infructuous, interim order dated 31-7-2001 is vacated and WPMP No. 19552 of 2001 is dismissed.

G.S.SINGHVI, CJ

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